

Groton August 3<sup>rd</sup> 1893 -

My dear Deborah

It is now such an age since I have heard a word from your  
quarter that I feel quite anxious to and I hope this letter will be welcome  
to you all. I believe I promised to write to you long before this, but  
my abominable aversion to letter writing together with one or two other  
reasons must be my only apology. I wish very much to hear of  
your health my dear Deborah and I hope you will soon let me  
know. We have just received a visit from the young married  
couple. They returned to Lowell day before yesterday, they  
seem pleased with each other and with all the world beside.  
Matilda was quite ill when she came up but we flatter  
ourselves that the Groton air quite restored her, for she return-  
ed quite herself again. They are comfortably situated  
there at least as much so as the place will admit of. I  
passed a day or two with them at the time the President  
was there. They seem to have every thing that heart can wish.  
I think she makes quite a nice little wife. Angelina  
hearing of the illness of her lover returned with them. We  
are delightfully situated here enjoy ourselves highly, with  
ricketing about and walking, working & reading. We don't find  
a great deal in the way of reading that is new, so we read  
any thing we can find. I wish I could give you some  
description of this place but if I were to make the attempt  
I think it would be but a faint one. We have a fine  
garden and great quantities of fruit. We board with a  
pleasant but small family, so of course we have nothing

to do with household concerns, and nothing to do but enjoy  
ourselves. The society here is excellent particularly for  
a country town I have become quite attached, but not so  
strongly attached but that I can bear myself away at  
a moment's warning. I must give you a slight account  
of our most intimate friends Judge Dana's family an  
our nearest neighbours and a delightful <sup>family</sup> one it is, it  
consists of he & his two married daughters who reside  
at a distance, one about Melanias age who is ex-  
ceedingly pretty sensible &c and a younger one several years  
younger than myself though very mature who is  
equally so. and last of all but not least there is  
an interesting young James who is studying law,  
he is our constant companion in our walks & walks  
and we find him a very delightful one but I will  
inform you more of this said youth by word of  
mouth. I am sorry to say there are but two hears  
in the place one is a Physician and of course  
cannot devote much of his time to our sex while  
the other who I have above named, has his hands  
full as you may well suppose. if you hear of  
any I wish you would send them on this way, as  
the quantity of ladies is fast increasing this summer.  
My Father's health is much improved, he has now gone  
to Philadelphia or rather he has been there we ex-  
pect him to return this evening, he is going to bring  
with him his brother's wife, or in other words Aunt Abby  
they are going to stop at Lowell a little while to see  
Mr & Mrs Amos. Matter yesterday left us for  
Boston so we have had quite a small family for a day or two.

I hear about Caroline once in a while give my love to her  
when you write. I wish your mother would consent to let  
you or Anne or both come up here. it is only six hours  
ride from Boston, and I am sure you would enjoy  
yourselves if you dont come this summer, I shall ex-  
pect you next. I suppose we shall always pass our  
summers up here, at least till there is some great change  
in the family of which there is no immediate prospect.  
I have grown somewhat shade blacker since I have been  
here and that is needless you know. On Saturday  
while Matilda was here we all went down to a beau-  
tiful pond about two miles distant where we fished  
or rather the gentlemen fished for our dinner, and  
I caught enough for my dinner myself so I was  
quite independent. Poor Matilda did not enjoy  
it much not being well and was obliged to sit  
herself down on the beach. she is a poor little  
dear thing. however I flatter myself she will get over it.  
If Mrs Chapman is with you give my love and tell her  
I should have no objection to hearing from her if she  
feels disposed. give my love to Anne and tell her a  
word or two from her fertile brain would not come  
amiss. once a long letter from yourself I shall expect  
forthwith. I suppose we shall return to Boston in  
October. I do not expect to go before then. I passed  
a few days with Maria at the house Philip was born  
and I enjoyed myself much. we had a famous  
meeting and I think it might well be called a splen-  
did one. I think Mrs Russell did herself great credit  
to be sure I had the pleasure of riding there and back  
with Mr Malcolm he was very talkative and amusing

after they were married they went a journey as far as  
Bellows Falls and they went to North Ash Pond also, and  
had a delightful time. I would tell you more about  
this wedding if I had room, remember me to your father  
and mother & sisters, and your Grandmother & Aunt and  
any who may enquire after me and believe me your  
sincere friend

Sylvia A. Wainman

P.S. The girls & M send much love to you all

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